

SO WE CAN
GET BACK TO
THE THINGS
WE'VE BEEN
MISSING.



COVID-19 VACCINE FACTS

We Kansans have been missing a lot due to the spread of COVID-19 in our state. The good news is that we have the tools to beat this pandemic:



VACCINATION.

our best hope to protect large numbers of people

2 FDA-APPROVED VACCINES

And possibly additional vaccines in the future. They are:

- SAFE
- EFFECTIVE
- AVAILABLE (limited in spring, widely available by summer 2021)

WHY TAKE THE COVID-19 VACCINE

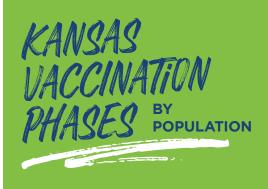
Kansans are known for helping their neighbors. When we all join in the fight against COVID-19, we'll all get back to our lives **sooner** and **safer**.

- Decrease the risk of death and serious illness
- Increase the chance for everyone to enjoy health and well-being
- Preserve the functioning of society
- Reduce the extra burden on people working the hardest on our front lines

SAFETY AT EVERY STEP

The global reach of the pandemic made developing safe and effective vaccines a top priority worldwide.

- **Development:** based on coronavirus vaccine research over the last 20 years, as well as using proven mRNA technology to stimulate immune response
- Clinical trials: thousands of participants of all ages, races and backgrounds
- FDA and CDC review and approval: multi-step review of data
- Ongoing monitoring: by FDA and CDC



HASE

POPULATION

- Healthcare workers
- Residents or patients in Long-term care (LTC), senior housing or LTC-supported independent living
- Workers critical to pandemic response continuity

2 PHASE

- Persons aged 65+
- Congregate settings
- High-contact critical workers

3 PHASE

- Aged 16 64 with severe medical risks
- Other critical workers

PHASE 4

 Aged 16 - 64 with other medical risks

5 PHASE

- Rest of population aged 16+
- Children*

*Subject to further research on vaccine risks and effectiveness for children



IT'S PROVEN

With both the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines, two doses are required (21 or 28 days apart, depending upon the vaccine).

GREATER THAN 90% EFFECTIVENESS IN CLINICAL TRIALS.

94%





95%



SIDE EFFECTS—WHAT TO EXPECT

In clinical trials, people experienced side effects with both approved vaccines, which is common in many other widely used vaccines. Those side effects were temporary (lasting up to several days) and a sign of the body's immune response in action.

Common side effects:

- Pain at the injection site
- Tiredness, headache
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Joint pain

- Swollen lymph nodes in the same arm as the injection
- Nausea and vomiting
- Fever

AVAILABILITY

Vaccines will become available in greater supply with time. The rollout for Kansas has prioritized health care personnel, long term care staff and residents and front line workers for the earliest phase. By summer, the vaccine is expected to be widely available to people 16 and over.

STOP THE SPREAD

Even with vaccination, it's important to follow CDC guidelines to prevent spread to those who have not been vaccinated.



PREVENTION.

washing our hands frequently, maintaining distance, avoiding group gatherings and wearing facial masks

GET THE FACTS, UPDATED DATA AND ANSWERS TO MORE QUESTIONS 24/7 AT: WWW.KANSASVACCINE.GOV.



